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Title: New Regionalism: Building Livable Communities Across the Delaware Valley

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Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission

7/1/1999

Book

[#http://www.dvrpc.org/asp-files/pubs/PublicationAbstract.asp?pub_ID=99008#](http://www.dvrpc.org/asp-files/pubs/PublicationAbstract.asp?pub_ID=99008#)

Description:

New Regionalism expands the concept of New Urbanism to include 1) limiting new development to designated growth areas, 2) fostering suburban development based on traditional neighborhood design principles, 3) encouraging infill development and urban revitalization, and 4) preserving an inter-connected regional open space network. This report explains key strategies and design principles for enhancing livability at both the neighborhood and regionwide scale, and presents local case studies of how various communities in the Delaware Valley are applying these principles to make themselves more livable.

Tool or Topic: **Corridor Planning**

Author

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Title: Baltimore Pike Corridor Revitalization Assessment: Building a Case for
Community and Economic Redevelopment

Bell

Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission 11/1/2001 Book

[#http://www.dvrpc.org/data/pubs/abstract/01027.htm#](http://www.dvrpc.org/data/pubs/abstract/01027.htm#)

Description:

The purpose of this assessment is to identify issues and conflicts within the corridor study area and build a case for the need of economic and community redevelopment along the corridor, which will help the study area municipalities obtain funding for such activities. To this end, DVRPC analyzed existing conditions and trends in the study area, conducted a land use analysis and aesthetic assessment, reviewed PennDOT's transportation enhancement project along Baltimore Pike and developed a vision, recommendations and implementation strategies to guide future revitalization efforts. Baltimore Pike Corridor Revitalization Assessment: Building a Case for Community and Economic Redevelopment presents the outcome of these efforts.

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Title: Inter-Municipal Cooperation: White Horse Pike Economic Development and Land Use Assessment

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Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission

8/1/2003

Book

[#http://www.dvrpc.org/data/pubs/abstract/03022.htm#](http://www.dvrpc.org/data/pubs/abstract/03022.htm#)

Description:

As part of a continual project to foster inter-municipal cooperation, the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission (DVRPC) with the support of the Camden County Planning Department and White Horse Pike Redevelopment Coalition conducted an economic development and land use assessment of the White Horse Pike from Barrington Borough to Clementon Borough. The purpose of this assessment is to examine the White Horse Pike in terms of economic redevelopment potential and to address issues such as aesthetics, traffic, and commercial revitalization strategies. This assessment will act as the first phase of the revitalization of the White Horse Pike, and the Coalition will continue to work together to implement the recommended strategies within this report.

Tool or Topic: **Corridor Planning**

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Title: Smart Growth Hall Of Fame 2001

Kramer

Colorado Sprawl Action Center

12/5/2001 PDF file

<http://www.environmentcolorado.org/reports/smartgrowth2001.pdf#>

Description:

Recognizes ten developments and planning decisions across Colorado that exhibit good growth management and smart growth principles. Displays a variety of growth management tools that are available to local governments and decision makers.

Tool or Topic: **Historic Preservation**AuthorOrganizationPublishedFormat

Title: Historic Preservation and Neighborhood Change

Coulson

Lincoln Institute of Land Policy

7/1/2002

PDF file

[#http://www.lincolninst.edu/pubs/pub-detail.asp?id=560#](http://www.lincolninst.edu/pubs/pub-detail.asp?id=560#)

Description:

Historical designation is thought to have a role in neighborhood economic development and improvement in neighborhood quality. Using the census tracts of Fort Worth, Texas, as a case study, we ask whether the existence or extent of historical designation has any correlation with demographic change in neighborhoods. We find some evidence that historical tracts started out with slightly worse indicators than those without (which is consistent with the idea that preservation is linked to economic development) but we find no evidence that preservation efforts had any effect on neighborhood change over the 1990s.

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Tool or Topic: **Mixed Use**

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Title: Smart Infill: Creating More Livable Communities in the Bay Area	Steinbach	Greenbelt Alliance	3/1/2002	PDF file

[#http://www.greenbelt.org/downloads/resources/report_smartinfill.pdf#](http://www.greenbelt.org/downloads/resources/report_smartinfill.pdf#)

Description:

This 72-page guidebook for civic leaders and local citizens shows how the region can achieve more livable communities and more sustainable development by developing underutilized land within existing urban areas. The report presents 12 key strategies to bring about well-planned infill housing and mixed-use development. These recommendations include zoning changes, design guidelines, public participation processes, revised parking requirements, and preparation of "Specific Plans" coordinating neighborhood revitalization.

In addition to providing a useful toolbox of strategies for smart infill, the guidebook features photos and case studies of successful infill throughout the Bay Area. In these examples, municipal action is already helping revitalize neighborhoods or entire cities and providing much-needed housing for people at different income levels.

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Title: Ten Steps to a Living Downtown

Moulton

The Brookings Institution

10/1/1999 PDF file

[#http://www.brookings.edu/metro/moultonexsum.htm#](http://www.brookings.edu/metro/moultonexsum.htm#)

Description:

For decades after the American industrial revolution, the "downtown" of any city was the simple manifestation of a bounded social and commercial structure. Living downtown was efficient, functional, and desirable. Families, the elderly, young couples, rich and poor alike all lived in or near the center to be near where they worked and where the goods and services they needed for living were provided. But with the rise of suburbanization, America's downtowns have evolved into employment and entertainment centers, at best. This paper examines the opportunity that cities currently have to bring residents back to their downtowns and identifies ten steps that can be taken to create successful residential life in America's central business districts.

Tool or Topic: **Neighborhood Planning**

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Tool or Topic: **Specific Planning**AuthorOrganizationPublishedFormat

Title: Getting It Right? A Report Card on the Coyote Valley Specific Plan Process

Steinbach

Greenbelt Alliance

9/1/2004

PDF file

http://www.greenbelt.org/downloads/resources/CVReportCard9_04/CVReportCard9_04.pdf#

Description:

The plan to date for development in San Jose's Coyote Valley is compared with the smart growth goals laid out in the Greenbelt Alliance's vision, Getting it Right: Preventing Sprawl in Coyote Valley. The Alliance believes that many aspects of the plan are on the wrong track.

Cover available separately at http://www.greenbelt.org/downloads/resources/CVReportCard9_04/CVReportCardCover.pdf

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